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Supreme Court Appoints New Member to Commission on Judicial Performance

San Francisco—The California Supreme Court today appointed Administrative Presiding Justice Judith D. McConnell, of the Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division One (San Diego) as a new judicial member of the Commission on Judicial Performance (CJP). Justice McConnell's term is effective today, March 30, and expires February 28, 2009.

Justice McConnell has been appointed to replace Justice Vance Raye, of the Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District (Sacramento), who has completed his term on the commission.

A San Diego trial court judge for 23 years, Justice McConnell was appointed an associate justice of the Court of Appeal in 2001 and was elevated as presiding justice in 2003. The same year, Chief Justice Ronald M. George appointed her as administrative presiding justice of the Fourth Appellate District.

The CJP is an independent state agency responsible for investigating complaints of judicial misconduct and judicial incapacity and for disciplining judges, under Article VI, section 18 of the California Constitution.

For more information about the commission, see the CJP's Web site at <http://cjp.ca.gov> .

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